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2 BRIDGES COMPLETELY REBUILT -- Peiping Jen-min Jih-pao, 19 Jul 50

Pang-fou -- Reconstruction work on the Huai Ho and Ming-kuang railway bridges on the Tientsin--P'u-k'ou line have been completed, the former on 25 June and the latter on 7 July. The Huai Ho Bridge is 574 meters long and the Ming-kuang Bridge is 3,0 meters long.

REPAIRS NEARLY COMPLETED ON BRANCH LINE -- Shanghai Ta Kung Pao, 24 Jul 50

Tsinan -- Repairs on rails and roadbed on the Hsin-wen branch of the Tientsin--P'u-k'ou line, begun in May 1950, were completed on 20 July. The remainder of the work, such as installation of communication lines and signals, is expected to be completed by the end of August. As of this date, three new bridges have been constructed and five steel and 37 concrete bridges have been repaired or completely rebuilt.

This branch line, which extends eastward from Tz'u-yao Station to Hsin-t'ai, through Hua-feng, Lou-te, Ch'ih-ch'ai, Kung-li, Ku-li, and Sun-ts'un, is 67 kilometers long and has 20 kilometers of sidings or spurs which connect with rich coal mines along the line. The junction point, Tz'u-yao, is either a new station, or new name for an old station, and is located at or not far south of Ta-wen-k'ou.

BRIDGES ON 3 MAIN LINES REBUILT -- Hong Kong Wen-hui Pao 23 Jul 50

Peiping, 22 July -- During the past 6 months, the Army Railway Engineer troops, with the help of Russian railway engineers, completely rebuilt 795 large and small bridges on the Peiping--Hankow, Canton--Hankow, Lien-yun--T'ien-shui lines, and the northern portion of the Ta-t'ung--Feng-ling-tu line. With the completion of this work, all the above lines have been made passable even during the rainy season.

REBUILDING OF LIU CHIANG BRIDGE NEARLY COMPLETED -- Canton Nan-fang Jih-pao, 26 Jul 50

Rebuilding of the largest and most important railway bridge over the Liu Chiang in Kwangsi Province, on the Heng-yang--Kuei-lin--Kuei-yang line, is expected to be completed by the end of August 1950. The first phase of construction, the repair of bridge piers, was completed on 12 April.

TO BEGIN BRIDGE OVER YANGTZE IN 1951 -- Hong Kong Wen-hui Pao, 18 Jul 50

Hankow -- Preliminary surveying and planning have been completed for the construction of a bridge over the Yangtze River to connect the Peiping--Hankow and Hankow--Canton lines at Hankow. The new bridge will be built to connect Wu-ch'ang and Han-yang. Another bridge will be built over the Han Chiang to connect Han-yang and Hankow. Its construction is to begin in 1951 also.

COMBINATION RAILWAY, BUS SERVICE STARTED IN CHEKIANG -- Shanghai Wen-hui Pao, 25 Jul 50

Hangchow -- The Shanghai Railway Bureau and the Chekiang Bus Company have made arrangements for a combined rail and bus through service on their lines. The Shanghai railway station now has on sale through tickets from Shanghai to certain points off the line between Hangchow and Ning-po, between Chin-hua and Li-shui, and between Chiang-shan and P'u-ch'eng. Baggage may be checked through to destination. Parcel service, equivalent to US railway express service, is also in operation on these combination runs.

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WASHOUTS DISRUPT RAIL SERVICE IN SHENSI -- Shanghai Wen-hui Pao, 25 Jul 50

Shanghai -- The Cheng-chou Railway Bureau announced that due to washouts on the line, service has been suspended indefinitely on the branch of the Lung-Hai Line between Hsien-yang and T'ung-ch'uan.

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